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YEARS IN GOVERNMENT SERVICE

EMILY A. WETJEN, 10 YEARS WITH REA AND OFF. OF SOLICITOR

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BOWLING STANDINGS AS OF 11/8/45

TEAM	WON	LOST	PER CENT
Winnie Watts	23	4	.852
Sweater Girls	20	7	.742
Knockouts	20	7	.742
Co-ops	19	8	.705
Pin-ups	19	8	.705
Legallettes	17	10	.630
Atomics	16	11	.594
Solicitors	16	11	.594
Atom Busters	16	11	.594
Loan Wolves	16	11	.594
Constructors	16	11	.594
Generators	16	11	.594
Managers	15	12	.556
Engineers	15	12	.556
Radars	15	12	.556
Auditors	15	12	.556
Kilowatts	14	13	.519
Gremlins	14	13	.519
Live Wires	13	14	.481
Billettes	13	14	.481
Operators	13	14	.481
Mortgagettes	13	14	.481
Kiloettes	12	15	.445
Cooperettes	11	16	.407
Accountants	11	16	.407
Lucky Strikes	11	16	.407
Financiers	10	17	.370
Bombardettes	9	18	.333
Junkers	9	18	.333
Five Oeuces	7	20	.260
Administrators	7	20	.260
Comets	6	21	.222

MEN High Avg. ADAMS 170
High Set (KILLION 613
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High Game SCOTT 266

WOMEN High Avg. RENO 153
High Set RENO 525
High Game RENO 212

PEWARD: \$25 in cash for a 3 or 4-room apartment, preferably unfurnished and in the west end. Anytime between now and Christmas will be o.k. Harold Gold, sta. 585.

FOR SALE: Electric refrigerator, 6-foot size. Call sta. 587.

FOR SALE: Ladies golf clubs, complete set with bag. Call sta. 585.

The Rural Electrification Administration deeply mourns the passing of one of its deputy administrators, Mr. Vincent D. Nicholson, whose sudden death on November 7, 1945, was a shock that rocked the whole agency.

One of a handful of men who built the REA and its program stemming from President Roosevelt's executive order of May 11, 1935, Mr. Nicholson had been faithful in the service of REA ever since, being one of the few still with the agency who knew it from the time of its inception.

As a pillar of strength he stood, strong for all which he deemed of greatest benefit to the program to which he contributed so generously in effort and ability. His indomitable spirit literally flowed into the veins of REA, a stimulating life-blood that helped the agency over many rugged places and rough spots.

Pleasant to all with time for the amenities of daily living, even when the gravity of matters pressed hardest, Mr. Nicholson's firm handclasp was felt by many for the last time at the Victory and Farewell Ball where his friendly interest was much in evidence. For him it was truly a "farewell" occasion, a part of the last chapter of his life. That the end of the trail was so near for him was undreamed of on that occasion as he demonstrated his usual vigorousness that evening.

But the pillar of strength has toppled. REA is greatly impoverished through having lost one of its most valiant leaders, Vincent D. Nicholson.

To the memory of this man SPAN reverently pays homage, dedicating to him its masthead this week.

NOTICE

With a part of their records in Washington and the rest retained in St. Louis, the Personnel Division finds it impossible to furnish SPAN with the current data on birthdays and new employees as well as the number of years in government service. Supplying such information will be resumed after the records have been co-ordinated.

The information about military returnees and veteran appointments is also affected, being supplied from now on on a bi-weekly frequency only until the records are united once more.

SPAN is willing to bridge the gap as much as possible and if new employees and those having birthdays will notify the editors or reporters, we will be glad to continue these features to whatever extent is possible.

As a finality to the "rumor" situation as set forth in poems recently appearing in SPAN, here comes a poem by REA's "poetess-lariat," B. Gregory:

MOVING

*Silence sometimes speakers louder
Than any spoken word
Though some folks never get a thing
Except what they have heard.*

*Let those who can, appreciate---
Perhaps, when we are dead,
Heaven will give us credit
For the things we left unsaid.*

Jolts 'n' Volts

Major Joe E. O'Brien of the Marines, who was Chief of Experiments for the whole Marine Corps, passed thru town on his way to his birthplace at Keokuk, Iowa. He is on terminal leave and expects to re-join REA shortly. While here, there was a Marine reunion, because fighting Marine Lt. Whitney Matthews, also fired by the Marines, was here on his way to spend his terminal leave with his mother in Ohio. Major O'Brien tells that while in Roanoke, Va. lately, he saw a picture of Walter Carpenter with a story about the home-town boy who made good. Walter has been promoted to Lt. Comdr., but was evidently holding out on us.....

There's no holding down the Winnie Watts' bowling team. The girls took the Co-ops for a ride last Thurs. and now sing a new theme song to the boys, since they can't seem to beat the girls. The song is "No Can Do, No Can DO.".....

It was "Crepe Day" again last Friday for the Mapping Section. Poetic condolence cards were made for Ann Korn who is leaving for FHA and Jeanette Callahan, who is looking forward to her second "funnymoon" in Wash. next week. The section is getting "tinner and tinner," but don't worry, Ya. Zimmer and Bernie Gevers will hold up until the journey's end.....

Max & Norma Rothpletz have been entertaining visitors - two of Max's brothers.....one from the Arizona ranch and the other recently discharged from the Army Air Corps.....

Mr. McCombs' office had a visit from their field man, Walter Williams, last week. Kendall Foss, Chief of Info from the middle of 1940 until the move to St. Louis, now writes a syndicated column as a wandering correspondent. A recent one appearing in a local daily paper was written from Denmark.....

A topic of discussion recently was the party the Legalers gave, celebrating, as they said, their "Three and one-half years on Broadway." Sounds like a bunch of ham actors.....

Our actor, Bob East, is a sprightly lad with a versatile mind. He covers the Arcade Building and made them put their thinking caps on the other day by popping the very perplexing question, "Which are better to use in pea shooters—split, whole or black-eyed peas?".....

Praise for SPAN (Hurrah) and Roll Call from Capt. D. L. Johnson, in Yokota, Japan: "Thanks very kindly for following me around with your fine issues. They have helped considerably with morale, being of interest not only to me but to many a man in this outfit who has in some way been benefited by REA back home." Thank you, Capt. Johnson, for being thoughtful enough to write us.....

Zeida Krinowitz says, why worry about sleeping quarters in Wash? There are some very beautiful parks there, Rock Creek, Haines Point and others. Why not sleep there? The rustling leaves (if there are any left) will lull you to sleep in the evening, and the gentle chirping of the birds will awaken you in the mornings. — no sleeping pills, no alarm clock, no nothin' necessary.....

Sylvia Sanders, who was sick the last week at REA, wants to keep up with REA ties as long as possible. She wants to see the girls, too.....

Tech. Standards has a new he-male secretary - Joe Heinzl. Joe was recently discharged from the Yewnited States Navy, where as a yeoman, he took down proceedings during court martials. Now he will take down proceedings of Tech. Standards Committee meetings.....

Ruth Weil has something new and different to keep her from getting in a rut. She has a summer and a winter picture of her "love," Al, and changes the pictures as the seasons change.....

Wendell Chilton, our Photographic Genius, is leaving REA to open his own studio. Good luck, Flash!

DEATH STRIKES AT REA AGAIN

For the second time within a week, the Grim Reaper has seen fit to include in his harvest another REA'er, this time Mr. Carlton F. Blickley who died in St. Luke's Hospital Sunday morning, November 11th.

Mr. Blickley joined the staff of REA in 1938 as a field engineer, later becoming head of the Design and Construction Division's region 5 where his talents as a construction engineer were recognized and respected by all with whom he worked.

Early this year he underwent an operation from which he never fully recovered. But so cheerfully and bravely did he carry on that even those who worked closest with him were not cognizant of the losing battle he fought to regain his health.

Faithful in his work and obligations to REA, Mr. Blickley will be missed in particular by the D&C Division and in general by all in the agency who knew him.

OUR VARI-TYPIST SAYS "GOODBYE"

There are always unsung heroes and heroines behind the scene. One of these in SPAN's existence is Arlene Glenn who has been doing our vari-typing.

Always patient and smiling, despite all the up-sets common to the putting out of a publication like SPAN, Arlene's efforts and ability will be greatly missed (especially by the Editor) in future editions.

She joins the St. Louis office of the Vari-Type Company as a demonstrator. Their gain is our loss — just one more casualty for REA as a result of the move to Washington.

HIKING CLUB NOTICE

The Hiking Club will have their party at the KofC Hall, 3547 Olive St., Friday night, November 30. We plan to go from work and need all your help to prepare dinner. Any suggestions will be appreciated. Members (ones attending at least one hike this season) are asked to put up a 25¢ deposit, which is to be returned after the party. Non-members will be charged 50¢. Reservations will only be made upon payment of your money to Joe Quinn on the 5th floor. Make your reservations before 4:45 P.M. Monday, November 26. Bring your friends.

JOLTS 'N' VOLTS

The many friends of Dorothy Campbell, formerly in charge of the Steno Pool, will be glad to know her husband is home and discharged from the service. They will make their home at Whitehall, Ill.....

Frank Jenkins, who resigned his writing post rather than go to Washington, dropped in Tuesday to pay his final respects to the Information gang. He had with him his little daughter and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jenkins of Dimondale, Mich., to which place Frank also goes for his future activities. Bye, Frank—SPAN loses one of its best reporters in your going.....

Young Gordon Messmer, on furlough from Tech. Standards, has been promoted to the grade of Lt. Comdr. Your humble Associate Editor, Peggy Fetsch, with heavy heart is bidding adieu to REA, to take up duties at the Smaller War Plants Corp. in the Paul Brown Bldg. as of Monday November 19. My grateful thanks to the faithful reporters who made the Jolts & Volts column possible, to the girls in the Pool and the Duplicating Unit, and to Madelyne Roussin, for many giggly, happy hours spent in writing SPAN together. May my successor enjoy writing for SPAN as I have and be as happy as an REA'er as I have been.

Signed,

"Nosey & Newsy"